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Inv. Nos. 701-TA-499-500 and 731-TA-1215-1223 (P)

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USITC VOTES TO CONTINUE CASES ON CERTAIN OIL COUNTRY TUBULAR GOODS FROM INDIA, KOREA, THE PHILIPPINES, SAUDI ARABIA, TAIWAN, THAILAND, TURKEY, UKRAINE, AND VIETNAM

The United States International Trade Commission (USITC) today determined that there is a reasonable indication that a U.S. industry is materially injured by reason of imports of certain oil country tubular goods from India, Korea, the Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine, and Vietnam that are allegedly sold in the United States at less than fair value and allegedly subsidized by the governments of India and Turkey.

All six Commissioners voted in the affirmative.

As a result of the Commission's affirmative determinations, the U.S. Department of Commerce will continue to conduct its investigations on imports of these products, with its preliminary countervailing duty determinations due on or about September 25, 2013, and its preliminary antidumping duty determinations due on or about December 9, 2013.

The Commission's public report *Certain Oil Country Tubular Goods from India, Korea, the Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine, and Vietnam* (Investigation Nos. 701-TA-499-500 and 731-TA-1215-1223 (Preliminary), USITC Publication 4422, August 2013) will contain the views of the Commission and information developed during the investigations.

Copies of the report are expected to be available after September 13, 2013, by emailing *pubrequest@usitc.gov*, calling 202-205-2000, or writing to the Office of the Secretary, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436. Requests may also be faxed to 202-205-2104.

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Office of Industries Washington, DC 20436

FACTUAL HIGHLIGHTS

Certain Oil Country Tubular Goods from India, Korea, the Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine, and Vietnam
Investigation Nos. 701-TA-499-500 and 731-TA-1215-1223 (Preliminary)

Product Description: Oil Country Tubular Goods ("OCTG") are hollow steel products of circular cross-section, including oil well casing and tubing, of iron (other than cast iron) or steel (both carbon and alloy), whether seamless or welded, regardless of end finish (e.g., whether or not plain end, threaded, or threaded and coupled), whether or not conforming to American Petroleum Institute ("API") or non-API specifications, whether finished (including limited service OCTG products) or unfinished (including green tubes and limited service OCTG products), and whether or not thread protectors are attached. Also

included is OCTG coupling stock. Excluded from the scope of these investigations are casing and tubing containing 10.5 percent or more by weight of chromium, drill pipe, unattached couplings, and unattached thread protectors. OCTG includes casing and tubing of carbon and alloy steel used in oil and gas wells. Casing is a circular pipe that serves as a structural retainer for the walls of the well. Tubing is a smaller-diameter pipe installed inside the casing that is used to conduct the oil or gas to the surface, either through natural flow or through pumping.

Status of Proceedings:

- 1. Type of investigations: Preliminary countervailing and antidumping.
- Petitioners: Boomerang Tube LLC, Chesterfield, MO; EnergeX, a division of JMC Steel Group, Chicago, IL; Maverick Tube Corporation, Houston, TX; Northwest Pipe Company, Vancouver, WA; Tejas Tubular Products Inc., Houston, TX; TMK IPSCO, Houston, TX; United States Steel Corporation, Pittsburgh, PA; Vallourec Star LP, Houston, TX; and Welded Tube USA Inc., Lackawanna, NY.
- 3. Preliminary investigations instituted by the USITC: July 2, 2013.
- 4. Commission's conference: July 23, 2013.
- 5. USITC vote: August 16, 2013.
- 6. USITC determinations issued: August 16, 2013.
- 7. USITC views issued: August 23, 2013.

U.S. Industry:

- 1. Number of producers: 16.
- Location of producers' plants: Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Minnesota, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, and Texas.
- 3. Employment of production and related workers in 2012: 7,453.
- 4. Apparent U.S. consumption in 2012: \$11.3 billion (7.2 million short tons).
- 5. Ratio of the value of total U.S. imports to total U.S. consumption in 2012: 45.1 percent.

U.S. Imports:

- 1. From the subject countries during 2012: \$2.0 billion (1.8 million short tons).
- 2. From other countries during 2012: \$3.1 billion (1.8 million short tons).
- 3. Leading sources during 2012 (in terms of total value): Korea, Canada, Japan, Mexico, and Germany.

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